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SUBJECT: POST ARTICLE RE SIERRA LEONE

1. EDITORIAL WRITTEN BY POST STAFFER DAN MORGAN, WHICH ADDRESSES SIERRA LEONE'S CURRENT ECONOMIC DILEMMA, APPEARED IN THE WASHINGTON POST JAN. 20. EDITORIAL LISTS SIERRA LEONE AS ONE OF DEVELOPING COUNTRIES WHICH HAD NEGLECTED THEIR POTENTIAL FOR INCREASED AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTION BECAUSE OF THE AVAILABILITY OF CHEAPLY IMPORTED FOOD. THESE COUNTRIES MUST NOW CURB FOOD IMPORTS OR FACE BANKRUPTCY DUE TO SOARING OIL PRICES AND A WORLDWIDE FOOD SHORTAGE. EDITORIAL ALSO STATES THAT SIERRA LEONE "UNDER THE GUN" TO ACHIEVE FOOD SUFFICIENCY AND HAS UNVEILED A FIVE-YEAR DEVELOPMENT PLAN WHOSE URGENT GOAL IS SELF-SUFFICIENCY IN RICE.

2. COPY OF EDITORIAL BEING POUCHED. KISSINGER

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